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OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

Town Clerk, School Board, and Librarian

OF THE

TOWN OF GROTON

FOR THE

Year Ending Feb. 15, 1905

BRISTOL, N. H.
From the Press of R. W. Musgrove
1905

Town Officers

Selectmen, WILLARD H. HUNKINS, CHARLIE D. JEWELL, CHARLES A. DAVIS

Town Clerk, WILLARD H. HUNKINS

Treasurer, DANIEL KIDDER

Collector, PRESCOTT M. PLUMER

Supervisors, PRESCOTT M. PLUMER, J. D. L. HALL, ALFRED A. REMICK

Librarian, BARRON S. KINNE

Selectmen's Report

VALUATION APR. 1, 1904

Resident valuation, land and buildings	$56,132 00
Non-resident valuation	16,370 00
No. Polls, 86	8,600 00
Horses, 99	2,836 00
Oxen, 28	1,154 00
Cows, 174	2,886 00
Neat stock, 54	628 00
Sheep, 186	482 00
Goats, 18	18 00
Hogs, 1	12 00
Buildings not designated	50 00
Stock in trade	5,140 00
Mills and machinery	3,700 00
	$98,008 00

MONEY RAISED BY TOWN, 1904

Town charges	$700 00
School money raised by town	200 00
Required by law	252 00
State tax	126 00
County tax	221 99
Highway tax	980 08
Overlay	68 14
	$2,548 21

SCHOOL MONEY FOR 1904

Voted and raised by town	$200 00
Money required by law	252 00
State school fund	277 80
Literary fund	53 69
Dog license	45 00
	$828 49

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Paid :

Daniel Kidder	$253 71
Frank Kidder	44 51
P. M. Plumer	17 07
G. C. Craig	4 35
J. D. L. Hall	55 59
J. H. Brown	118 59
Charles A. Davis	8 55
E. A. Muzzey	49 16
H. H. Eastman	8 70
W. A. Colburn	67 69
A. A. Remick	127 80
J. W. Burley	2 55
E. A. Eastman	10 70
A. A. Hall	2 10
W. A. Elliott	131 59
F. A. Davis	10 12
J. S. Kelley	33 45
Josiah Wheet	68 82
D. H. Powers	129 33
	$1,144 38

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Paid:

J. W. Burley, on note	$300 00
R. W. Musgrove, printing reports	21 00
E. E. Babb & Co., school supplies	8 60
American Book Co., school supplies	32 31
J. Hadlock, repairs for road machine	8 50
Edson C. Eastman, town supplies	13 11
Library trustees, library fund	15 00
Ginn & Co., school books	11 75
Almaretta G. Brown, express on books	65
W. H. Hunkins, express on town and school supplies	2 55
R. E. Lane, school supplies	1 37
Frank Gurney, flag staffs	2 50
Cyrus Blood, care of town house	3 00
E. A. Muzzey, flag pole and setting the same	1 50
A. S. Cross, use of water tub	3 00
Daniel Kidder, error on tax on Spaulding land	4 86
P. M. Plumer, for check-lists	2 50
" tax bills	75
J. B. Smart, use of water tub	2 00
Edson C. Eastman, town supplies	1 06
Independent Hall Association, rent of hall for selectmen	6 00
G. W. Bailey, express on books	1 25
E. E. Babb & Co., school books	6 39
John N. Kinne, interest on Joanna Colburn note	9 40
J. W. Coolidge, medical advice on Henry Gove	3 00
" returning births and deaths	2 50
W. H. Hunkins, moving pile driver	2 25
	$466 80

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Paid:

W. H. Hunkins, selectman	$37 00
C. D. Jewell, "	25 00
C. A. Davis, "	30 00
J. W. Burley, supervisor	9 00
J. D. L. Hall, "	9 00
P. M. Plumer, "	7 50
J. D. L. Hall, truant officer	6 50
Josiah Wheet, district clerk	1 50
P. M. Plumer, collector	45 00
Almaretta G. Brown, member of school board	8 15
W. H. Hunkins, "	9 75
G. W. Bailey, "	13 00
Daniel Kidder, treasurer	25 00
" moderator	3 00
John N. Kinne, school treasurer	5 00
W. H. Hunkins, town clerk	15 00
" assistant librarian	2 50
J. H. Pillsbury, police	3 00
Josiah Wheet, auditor	1 50
J. W. Burley, "	1 50
B. S. Kinne, librarian	5 00
	$262 90

ABATEMENTS

1900, J. N. Kinne collector:

R. B. Chase, poll tax	$2 51

1903, P. M. Plumer collector :	
Charles Archibald, poll tax	$2 80
Lewis Muzzey, "	2 80
1904, P. M. Plumer collector :	
Wyllie Chivell, paid in Rumney	2 60
J. E. Foster	2 60
H. A. J. Powers, paid in Plymouth	2 60
Carl R. Wheet, ' Went worth	1 82
	$17 73

CASH RECEIPTS PAID

John N. Kinne, school treasurer	$830 49
Ora A. Brown, county tax	221 99
Solon A. Carter, state tax	126 00
	$1,178 48

The selectmen charge themselves with cash received as follows :

Amount committed to collector	$2,548 21
Received from state school fund	289 00
Literary fund	45 10
Savings bank tax	164 54
Bounty on hedgehogs	101 25
County on paupers	4 39

In the hands of Daniel Kidder, 1903	$1,433 67
Town clerk, dog license	42 73
John N. Kinne, collector 1900	14 23
P. M. Plumer, " 1903	537 84
	$5,180 96

RECAPITULATION

Paid:	
Miscellaneous bills	$466 80
Bounty on hedgehogs	101 00
Cash receipts	1,178 48
Town officers' bills	262 90
Highways and bridges	1,144 38
Abatements	17 73
In the hands of Daniel Kidder, treasurer	1,370 62
P. M. Plumer, collector	639 05
	$5,180 96

LIABILITIES

Joanna Colburn, note	$154 45
J. W. Burley, note	1,067 08
	$1,221 53

ASSETS OF TOWN FEB. 15, 1905

In the hands of Daniel Kidder, treasurer	$1,370 62
John N. Kinne, collector 1899	1 55
" " 1900	2 92
P. M. Plumer, " 1904	639 05
Due from Jesse Reed, support of Bertha Jewell	93 40
Town safe	200 00
Road machine	10 00
Conditional notes	56 71
	$2,374 25
Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1905	1,221 53
Balance in favor of town Feb. 15, 1905	$1,152 72
" " " 1904	859 66
Gain	$293 06

Respectfully submitted

WILLARD H. HUNKINS,
CHARLIE D. JEWELL,
CHARLES A. DAVIS,
} Selectmen of Groton.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOSEPH W. BURLEY,
JOSIAH WHEET,
} Auditors.

Treasurer's Report, 1904

Received from treasurer, 1903		$1,433 67
J. N. Kinne, collector 1900		14 23
Town clerk, dog license		42 73
Selectmen		604 28
P. M. Plumer, collector, 1903		537 84
" " 1904		1,909 16
		$4,541 91

Paid orders of selectmen 1 to 121 inclusive	$3,171 29	
In hands of treasurer, Feb. 16, 1905	1,370 62	
		$4,541 91

Respectfully submitted to the taxpayers of the town,

DANIEL KIDDER, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having carefully examined the foregoing accounts, find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOSEPH W. BURLEY,
JOSIAH WHEET, } Auditors.

Library Report, 1904

Books in circulation Feb. 15, 1905	885
Patrons during year	66
Books read	500
New books added	55
Fines collected	$0 80
Postage paid	06

B. S. KINNE, Librarian.

Treasurer's Report

OF GROTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

1904.	Receipts:		
Mar. 10,	Cash on hand		$17 93
	From town		15 00
	Fines		80
			$33 78
1904.	Paid:		
Mar. 10,	Books	$9 97	
	Supplies	2 70	
Aug. 15,	Books	6 00	
1905:			
Feb. 13,	Books	13 43	
	Postage	06	
	On hand	1 62	
			$33 78

JOSIAH WHEET, Treasurer.

Report of School Board

Fellow Citizens:

We believe that our schools for the year have been for the most part successful and profitable. Some of our teachers who have been well qualified in every other respect for first-class teachers, have lacked greatly in discipline, and that we think is a serious fault. It is useless for a teacher to think she will gain the good will or respect of a scholar by allowing them to do pretty much as they please. Scholars cannot advance much unless there is order and discipline in school. Reasonable but rigid laws should be laid before the school at the commencement of each term, and then they should be strictly adhered to. The result will be a quiet and orderly school, the teacher will command the respect and love of the pupils, and they will learn.

We are glad to note that in some districts the parents as well as teachers and scholars have cooperated for best results; this is worthy of commendation. If parents wish their children to have an education, they should see to it that they are in school *every day* if they are able to be there. And they have no right to keep them out to work or for any dislike that they may have for the teacher. It is robbing the child of its legal rights at a time in life when they cannot act for themselves, and is no better than stealing. Many people do not seem to realize this.

We do the best we can to secure good teachers. We expect all the parents to help us in every way they can to have good schools.

We would recommend that the district help repair the schoolhouse in the Union district providing the town of Dorchester will give us a deed of one-half of the schoolhouse and pay one-half of the expense of repairing.

ROLL OF HONOR

FOR ONE TERM

Albert M. Hall, Winifred E. Cutting, Ellen G. Manion, Maud L. Manion, Lena G. Kidder, Clara B. Pierce, Alice M. Reynolds, Lee H. Wheet, Vern F. Wheet, Rexford Wheet, Emma Gurney, Daisy Gurney, Viola Mathews, Frank Mathews, Frank Gurney, George Gurney, Lee A. Pollard, Frank Butterfield, Lura E. Butterfield, Cecelia M. A. Hickel, Ruey A. Plumer, Carrol M. Plumer, Sadie T. G. Hickel, Oscar R. Powers, Lillian Remick, Ray H. Muzzey, Fred H. Muzzey, Edward J. Mackey.

FOR TWO TERMS

Lura E. Butterfield, Cecelia M. A. Hickel, Ruey A. Plumer, Frank E. Butterfield, Frank Gurney, Emma Gurney, Daisy Gurney, George Gurney, Viola Mathews, Frank Mathews, Lillian Remick, Edward J. Mackey.

Respectfully submitted

WILLARD H. HUNKINS,
ALMARETTA G. BROWN,
GEORGE W. BAILEY,
} School Board of Groton.

Statistical Table

No. of School	Term of School	Name of Teacher	No. of Weeks	No. of scholars	Average attendance	No. pupils not absent	Instances of tardiness	Visits by school board	Visits by citizens	Wages per month
2	1	Bessie M. Foster	10	14	10	3	30	2	12	$20
	2	"	16	15	11	2	36	1	6	20
4	1	Harriet L. Wheet	10	25	19	11	2	2	25	26
	2	Lillian Leavitt	18	16	12	2	5	2	14	24
8	1	Jennie M. Cashion	10	13	9	3	2	1	14	22
	2	Eva A. Hammond	12	12	10	1	44	2	8	22
	3	"	7	11	8	1	6	1	18	22
9	1	Mary A. Rogers	6	7	7	7	0	2	16	22
	2	"	13	9	8	8	0	2	24	22
	3	"	8	8	7	7	0	1	20	22
10	1	Annie M. Wheeler	10	16	10	1	35	2	20	22
	2	"	11	16	12	5	51	1	16	22
	3	"	8	13	8	6	10	1	27	22

Number of scholars, 70.

School Treasurer's Report

1905, Feb. 15.

Received of treasurer of 1903	$77 49
Received of town	830 49

PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

Harriet L. Wheet, teaching No. 4	$40 00
G. W. Bailey, boarding teacher No. 4	25 00
Bessie M. Foster, teaching No. 2	30 00
Mary A. Rogers, teaching No. 9	21 00
Joseph Cilley, boarding teacher No. 9	12 00
Annie M. Wheeler, teaching and board No. 10	55 00
Jennie M. Cashlin, " No. 8	35 00
Ida Muzzey, boarding No. 8	20 00
Frank Butterfield, 1-2 cord wood	2 50
Anna " cleaning schoolhouse	1 50
J. D. L. Hall, boarding No. 2	20 00
Eva Hammond, teaching No. 8	31 50
E. A. Muzzey, boarding No. 8	10 00
Lillian Leavitt, teaching and board No. 4	108 00
Almaretta G. Brown, wood Nos. 9 and 10	10 57
W. H. Hunkins, drawing wood Nos. 8, 9, 10	8 25
Eva Hammond, teaching No. 8	35 00
E. A. Muzzey, boarding No. 8	28 00
Bessie M. Foster, teaching No. 2	46 80
J. D. L. Hall, boarding No. 2	32 00

Mary A. Rogers, teaching and board No. 9	$115 50
Annie M. Wheeler, teaching and board No. 10	104 50
Town of Dorchester, tuition	18 00
J. D. L. Hall, wood and carrying teacher	10 00
G. W. Bailey, cleaning schoolhouse, etc., No. 4	4 29
Daniel Kidder & Son, 1 cord wood No. 4	3 50
	$827 91
School money received	$907 98
" paid out	827 91
Money in treasury Feb. 15, 1905	$80 07

Respectfully submitted

JOHN N. KINNE, Treasurer.

Received of treasurer 1903, money for repairs	$74 15

PAID OUT FOR REPAIRS

E. A. Muzzey, repairs No. 8	12 80
Almaretta G. Brown, repairs Nos. 9 and 10	8 13
Cyrus Blood, lumber used No. 8	8 69
E. A. Muzzey, labor on schoolhouse No. 8	4 70
Almaretta G. Brown, repairs Nos. 9 and 10	1 44
Orville Mathews, labor No. 8	1 50
P. H. Crawford, material for No. 8	1 50
W. H. Hunkins, repairs on No. 8	6 80
C. D. Jewell, repairs districts No. 9 and 10	1 75
J. D. L. Hall, repairs No. 2	2 38
E. A. Muzzey, repairs No. 8	1 50
G. W. Bailey, repairs Nos. 2 and 4	4 00
	$55 19

Money for repairs received	$74 15
Paid out	55 19
Amount in treasury Feb. 15, 1905	$18 96

Respectfully submitted

JOHN N. KINNE, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having carefully examined the foregoing accounts find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOSEPH W. BURLEY, }
JOSIAH WHEET, } Auditors.

Births Registered in the Town of Groton for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Father's Name.	Mother's Maiden Name.	Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother
Mar. 30	Morris S.....	M..	Living...	1	White	Leon H. Gray.....	LuvelliaA Plumer	White	Bristol..	Laborer.....	Alexandria....	Groton.....	27	20
May 24	Isabel E.....	F..	"	6		James A. Parris..	Effie J. Dodge.....		Groton.	Farmer.....	St. Johns, N.B.	Littleton.....	33	26
June 27	.....	M..	"	4		Alfred A. Remick	Flora B. Gurney..		"	"	Groton.....	Amesbury, Ms	29	22
July 19	Edna Netta...	F..	"	3		Franklin A. Davis	Izetta A. Davis...		No. Groton....	"	Wentworth...	Dorchester....	28	34

Deaths Registered in the Town of Groton for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Date of Death.	Name.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, Married, or Widowed.	Occupation.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Cause of Death.
Feb. 5	Samuel Blood	73	8	16	Groton	M	White	W	Farmer			Frank Blood		Myocarditis
Apr. 11	Edgar C. Swett	50				M		S						Pneumonia
Sept. 4	Isabel E. Parris		3	10	Groton	F		S		St.John'sN.B.	Littleton	James A. Parris	Effie J. Dodge	Summer Diarrhea
Oct. 24	Henry G. Gove	37	8	13	"	M		M	Farmer					Alcohol Poisoning
Nov. 25	Sarah A. Pollard	59	11	28	Peterboro	F		W						Pneumonia

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLARD H. HUNKINS, TOWN CLERK.